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CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

1 - 13. (Previously canceled)

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14. (Previously amended) A method of transferring data from a selected computer to any one of a plurality of computers comprising:
accepting a first user command to transfer the data from the selected computer to a clipboard in a memory on a switching system;
~~transferring the data to a the clipboard on a memory in a switching system;~~ and
accepting a second user command to transfer the data from the clipboard on the memory to the any one of the plurality of computers.

15. (Previously cancelled)

16. (Previously amended) The method of claim 14 further comprising accepting a third command to switch from the selected computer to the any one of the plurality of computers.

17. (Previously added) The method of claim 16 wherein the third command is a request to transfer the data from the clipboard to the any one of the plurality of computers.

18. (Previously added) The method of claim 14 wherein the first user command is a copy command.

19. (Previously added) The method of claim 14 wherein the first user command is a cut command.

20. (Previously added) The method of claim 14 wherein the second user command is a paste command.

21. (Previously added) A system for transferring data, comprising:

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a switching system including a memory;
a first computer coupled to the switching system;
a second computer coupled to the switching system; and
a peripheral device coupled to the switching system, the peripheral device capable of
accepting commands to transfer the data from the first computer to the memory on the
switching system, the peripheral device additionally capable of accepting commands
to transfer the data from the memory on the switching system to the second computer.

22. (Previously added) The system according to Claim 21 wherein the peripheral device accepts the commands for execution on one of the first computer and the second computer.
23. (Previously added) The system according to Claim 22 wherein the memory on the switching system includes a clipboard and the commands to transfer the data include a first command to transfer the data from the first computer to the clipboard in the memory on the switching system.
24. (Previously added) The system according to Claim 23 wherein the peripheral device is capable of accepting a second command to switch the peripheral device from accepting the commands for execution on the first computer to accepting the commands for execution on the second computer.
25. (Previously added) The system according to Claim 24 wherein the commands to transfer the data include a third command to transfer the data from the clipboard in the memory on the switching system to the second computer.
26. (Previously added) An article comprising a machine-accessible medium having stored thereon instructions that, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to transfer data from a selected computer to any one of a plurality of computers by:
accepting a first user command to transfer the data from the selected computer to a
clipboard in a memory on a switching system;

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transferring the data to ~~a~~ the clipboard ~~on a memory in a switching system;~~ and
accepting a second user command to transfer the data from the clipboard on the memory
to the any one of the plurality of computers.

27. (Previously added) The article according to Claim 24 wherein the instructions, when executed by the machine, further case the machine to transfer data by accepting a third command to switch from the selected computer to the any one of the plurality of computers.
28. (Previously added) The article according to Claim 24 wherein the third command is a request to transfer the data from the clipboard to the any one of the plurality of computers.
29. (Previously added) The article according to Claim 24 wherein the first user command is a copy command.
30. (Previously added) The method article according to Claim 24 wherein the first user command is a cut command.
31. (Previously added) The article according to Claim 24 wherein the second user command is a paste command.